

(3) Plutonium and highly enriched uranium are the essential ingredients of nuclear weapons.

(4) Limits on access to plutonium and highly enriched uranium are the primary technical barrier to acquiring nuclear weapons capability in the world today.

(5) Several kilograms of plutonium, or several times that amount of highly enriched uranium, are sufficient to make a nuclear weapon.

(6) Plutonium and highly enriched uranium will continue to pose a potential threat for as long as they exist.

(7) Action is required to secure and account for plutonium and highly enriched uranium.

(8) It is in the national interest of the United States to—

(9) minimize the risk that fissile materials could be obtained by unauthorized parties:

(10) minimize the risk that fissile materials could be reintroduced into the arsenals from which they came, halting or reversing the arms reduction process; and

(11) strengthen the national and international control mechanisms and incentives designed to ensure continued arms reductions and prevent the spread of nuclear weapons.

(b) SENSE OF CONGRESS.—In light of the findings contained

in subsection (a), it is the sense of Congress that the United States

has a national security interest in assisting other countries to

improve the security of their stocks of fissile material.

**SEC. 1311. REVIEW BY DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE ESTIMATE 95-19.**

(12) REVIEW.—The Director of Central Intelligence shall conduct a review of the underlying assumptions and conclusions of the National Intelligence Estimate designated as NIE 95-19 and

entitled "Emerging Missile Threats to North America During

the

Next 15 Years". released by the Director in November 1995.

(13) METHODOLOGY FOR REVIEW.—The Director shall carry out the review under subsection (a) through a panel of independent,

nongovernmental individuals with appropriate expertise and experience. Such a panel shall be convened by the Director not

later than 45 days after the date of the enactment of this Act.

(14) REPORT.—The Director shall submit the findings resulting from the review under subsection (a), together with any comments

of the Director on the review and the findings, to Congress not later than three months after the appointment of the Commission

under section 1321.

**Subtitle B—Commission To Assess the Ballistic Missile Threat to the United States**

**SEC. 1321. ESTABLISHMENT OF COMMISSION.**

(15) ESTABLISHMENT.—There is hereby established a commission to be known as the "Commission To Assess the Ballistic Missile Threat to the United States" (hereafter in this subtitle

referred  
to as the "Commission").  
(16) COMPOSITION.—The Commission shall be composed of nine  
members appointed by the Director of Central Intelligence. In  
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